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In re Application of:

TSUKASA MATSUMOTO

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For: METHOD FOR FRACTIONING  
RED BLOOD CELLS AND ANTI-  
BACTERIAL MATERIALS OR  
BACTERIAL PROLIFERATION  
INHIBITORS PRODUCED THEREBY

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**AMENDMENT**

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Responsive to the Office Action of August 25, 1997, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please rewrite Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Once Amended) Method for fractionating red blood cells of human blood into three fraction, comprising the following steps[:] :

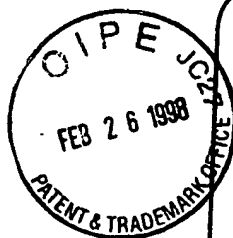
(a) mixing a human blood sample with dextran aqueous solution and maintaining said mixture stationarily for [60 to 75 minutes so as] a period sufficient to fractionate [this] the blood sample into [three layers, the] upper, intermediate, and lower layers;

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